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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: PRESIDENT DAOUD'S MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT NIXON

REF: KABUL 7456

1. I WAS SUMMONED BY MOHAMMAD AKBAR, MFA CHIEF OF CABINET, THIS AFTERNOON AT PRESIDENT DAOUD'S DIRECTION. DAOUD WAS INQUIRING WHEN HIS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, DEPFONMIN WAHID ABDULLAH, WOULD BE SEEING PRESIDENT NIXON. I REPEATED TO AKBAR SUBSTANCE OF INFORMATION IN STATE 206715 AND SAID I HAD NO FURTHER WORD FROM WASHINGTON ABOUT THE APPOINTMENT.

2. AKBAR SAID HE HAD JUST LEARNED FROM NY THAT WAHID ABDULLAH WOULD BE PROCEEDING TO WASHINGTON THIS AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 22. HE SAID PRESIDENT DAOUD WAS PARTICULARLY ANXIOUS THAT HIS REPRESENTATIVE SEE PRESIDENT NIXON IN VIEW OF FACT THIS WAS FIRST SUCH CONTACT WITH USG SINCE HE HAD TAKEN OFFICE. I REPLIED THAT ALTHOUGH PRESIDENT NIXON'S SCHEDULE WAS UNDOUBTEDLY FANTASTICALLY CROWDED AT THIS MOMENT OF CRISIS, I WOULD MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO SEE WHAT COULD BE DONE.

3. THIS APPROACH AGAIN SUGGESTS THAT THERE IS MORE TO WAHID ABDULLAH'S MISSION THAT MEETS THE EYE. I AM REINFORCED IN MY BELIEF THAT WHETHER OR NOT HE IS RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT NIXON WILL BE TAKEN BY DAOUD AS AN IMPORTANT  
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POLITICAL SIGNAL BEARING ON FUTURE OF US-AFGHAN RELATIONSHIP.

ABDULLAH MAY ALSO BE CHARGED WITH SOME MESSAGE CONCERNING  
SOVIET ROLE IN THIS REGION WHICH HE HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED  
DELIVER ONLY TO PRESIDENT NIXON. FOR THESE REASONS, I URGE  
THAT EVERY EFFORT BE MADE TO ARRANGE AN APPOINTMENT IF THIS  
HAS NOT ALREADY BEEN ACHIEVED.  
LEWIS

NOTE BY OC/T: EXDIS CAPTION ADDED PER S/SO, MR. PERKINS.

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